



President Sharon B. DeVivo
Vaughn College

Dr. Sharon B. DeVivo has been with Vaughn College since 1996 and president since 2014. She is the seventh president of the institution and the first woman. Vaughn is ranked as the number one institution in the nation in upward mobility and is the best at moving students from the bottom 40 percent to the top 40 percent in income.

Her strategic objective is to transform teaching and learning and create a unique Vaughn academic experience both inside and outside the classroom. She has led three strategic planning efforts that have transformed the College from primarily a training institution to one that offers undergraduate and graduate degrees in aviation, engineering, management and technology. Vaughn serves a diverse student body of about 1,550 students who are 80 percent minority, mostly first-generation Americans and first-generation college students.

She serves on the board of The Wings Club, Cradle of Aviation Museum, Commission on Independent Colleges and Universities, International Aviation Women's Association Advisory Board, Executive Board of the Greater New York Councils Boy Scouts of America, Queens Advisory Board for Scouting BSA, and as liaison to the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers' Women in Engineering Committee and the Educational Activities Board. She is the daughter of a US Navy Master Chief and lived around the world while growing up. Her degrees include an associate's from the University of Maryland in Munich, Germany, a bachelor's from the State University of New York at Albany, a master's from Fordham University and a doctorate from the University of Pennsylvania.